Rezoning Transportation Analysis

Petition Number: 2020-175

General Location Identifier: Tax ID 07304221

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Revision Log:

Date	Description	
12-28-20	First Review (EL)	
1-21-21	Second Review (EL)	
2-24-21	Third Review (EL)	

General Review Information

The petition is located adjacent to Mint Street (State-maintained, major thoroughfare) near Stonewall Street (City-maintained, major thoroughfare). The petition is in Uptown inside Route 4. Applicable area plans include the Center City Vision Plan.

Active Projects Near the Site:

None

CDOT's review of this rezoning petition is intended to provide consistency with council adopted policies, plans, standards and guidelines including, but not limited to, the <u>Transportation Action Plan (TAP)</u>, <u>Vision Zero</u>, <u>Urban Street Design Guidelines (USDG)</u>, <u>Center, Corridor and Wedges, Charlotte BIKES, Traffic Impact Study Guidelines</u> and <u>Charlotte WALKS</u>. With a commitment to design complete streets, this review is to ensure that the City's transportation network supports current and future land uses and includes streets that provide safe and comfortable mobility for motorists, pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit users.

This document is primarily for communication to Planning Department staff as part of the overall City staff analysis of the rezoning petition and includes an overall summary of the case from a transportation perspective, information on trip generation, and resolved or outstanding site plan concerns. Additional advisory information about the driveway permit process is provided for information only.

Based on our review of the petition, we offer the following information for your consideration.

Transportation Summary

The site is located on a State-maintained major thoroughfare road [Mint Street]. The review of this rezoning petition is focused on the installation of a sign; site characteristics typically reviewed by CDOT are not proposed to change. Due to the nature of this petition, there are no comments provided by CDOT at this time as all site improvements were installed during initial development of this project in 2016 (LDUUMUDD-2016-00080). CDOT staff will again review the site plan during the permitting process and work on any transportation issues as they arise.

Trip Generation

Scenario	Land Use	Intensity	Trip Generation (vehicle trips/day)	Source
Existing Use	Vacant	-	-	-
Entitlement with	Office	301,466 SF	3,095	Site Plan: 10-12-20

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Current Zoning				
Proposed Zoning	Office	301,466 SF	3,095	Site Plan: 10-12-20

Provide comments to the specified comments below.

Outstanding Issues

Strikethrough = Resolved

1. Traffic Study:

A Traffic Impact Study is not necessary for the complete review of this petition due to the site plan only developing a sign. Transportation improvements were completed when the project was previously developed.

Advisory Information

The following are requirements of the developer that must be satisfied prior to driveway permit approval. These requirements shall be reflected on the rezoning plan, as appropriate.

- 1. The setback for this district is measured from the back of the existing or future curbline as determined by CDOT and Planning during the permitting process.
- CDOT has the authority to regulate/approve all private street/driveway and public street connections to the right-of-way of a street under the regulatory jurisdiction of the City of Charlotte, per the City of Charlotte's Driveway Regulations.
- 3. Adequate sight triangles must be reserved at the existing/proposed street entrance(s). Two 35' x 35' sight triangles (and two 10' x 70' sight triangles on NCDOT-maintained streets) are required for the entrance(s) to meet requirements. All proposed trees, berms, walls, fences, and/or identification signs shall not interfere with sight distance at the entrance(s) and shall be identified on the site plan.
- 4. The proposed driveway connection(s) to public streets will require a driveway permit(s) to be submitted to CDOT (and NCDOT on NCDOT-maintained streets) for review and approval. The exact driveway location(s) and type/width of the driveway(s) will be determined by CDOT during the driveway permit process. The locations of the driveway(s) shown on the site plan are subject to change in order to align with driveway(s) on the opposite side of the street and comply with City Driveway Regulations and the City Tree Ordinance.
- 5. All proposed commercial driveway connections to a future public street will require a driveway permit submitted to CDOT for review and approval.
- Any fence or wall constructed along or adjacent to any sidewalk or street right-of-way requires a certificate issued by CDOT.
- 7. A Right-of-Way Encroachment Agreement is required for the installation of any non-standard item(s) (irrigation systems, decorative concrete pavement, brick pavers, etc.) within a proposed/existing Citymaintained street right-of-way by a private individual, group, business, or homeowner's/business association. An encroachment agreement must be approved by CDOT prior to construction/installation. Contact CDOT for additional information concerning cost, submittal, and liability insurance coverage requirements.
- 8. The petitioner needs to complete and submit the <u>Right of way Abandonment Petition form</u> to CDOT for review. The decision of this rezoning petition does not correlate with the decision of the possible abandonment, as this decision is issued within the separate Right of Way Abandonment process that is controlled by North Carolina General Statutes.
- To attain a street and pedestrian lighting recommendation, the petitioner should coordinate with Anthony Mendez, CDOT. Please visit the following link: https://charlottenc.gov/Transportation/Programs/Pages/StreetLighting.aspx